

SET UP FOR STUDENTS

We understand that every school has different constraints and logistical issues, but these guidelines will help ensure that the school's entire waste removal system is clean, efficient and free of contamination in each respective container.

1. Set up your recycling, composting and trash bin so that students must disassemble their food trays in the following order:
 - A. A Bucket/Container for Leftover Liquids - students must empty their residual milk/juice into the container.
 - B. Recycling Container - Students should then toss their empty milk or juice carton, as well as recyclable plastic bottles into the recycling container.
 - C. Food Scrap Container - Students should empty "food only" into the food scraps container.
 - D. Trash/Garbage Container - Students must empty all remaining trash into the garbage can.
2. It is important that students, teacher, volunteer, parent, custodian or cafeteria staff monitor the recycling and food scraps stations to ensure all students are following proper procedures.

FOOD SCRAPS COLLECTION PROCEDURES FOR STUDENTS



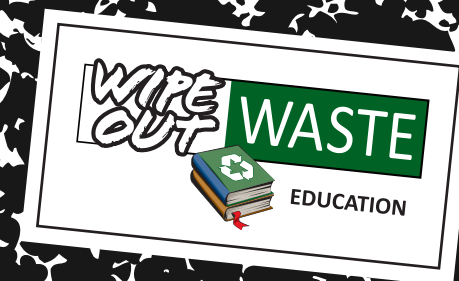
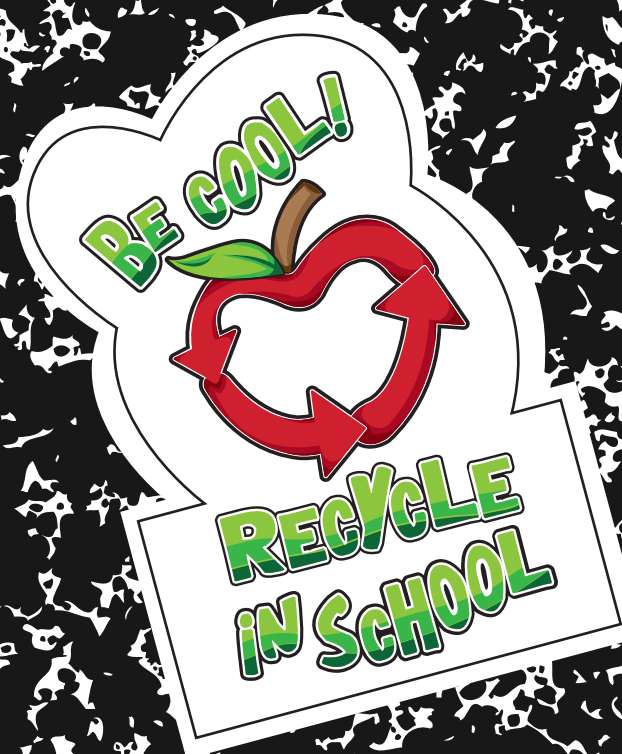
If you need more recycling bins, posters, educational materials and/or speakers please contact:

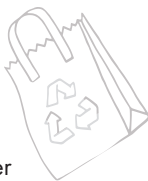
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PROGRAM CHECKLIST

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EXTERNAL COLLECTION

- Recyclable materials must be loose in outside dumpster
 - **NO PLASTIC BAGS**
 - Empty all recyclables into the can loosely.
 - Empty all liquids or products
 - Cardboard must be flattened.
- Coordinate with janitorial staff for emptying containers into recycling dumpster
- Place all materials into recycling dumpster
 - All materials are commingled; it's not just for cardboard and paper.
 - Doors should be un-welded. If they are welded, please let us know.
 - If the dumpster is full or your pickup has been missed, contact us by email: BSM@cms.k12.nc.us; Rusty.fuller@cms.k12.nc.us; or meckcan@mecknc.gov

MONITOR SUCCESS

- Educate, reinforce and let us know if you need any assistance.

INCENTIVE PROGRAMS

- A reward system is a great motivator. Recognition is always a good thing. Be creative.

EDUCATION

- Poster and fliers
 - A poster for every classroom
 - Fliers for teachers, administrators, custodians, cafeteria staff
- Announcements at staff meetings, PTO or PTA - ensure all leaders know how the program operates.
- Continual Education - reinforcement is necessary, not just for students, but staff as well.
- Teacher's lesson plans - Use local and state resources to plan a lesson around recycling.

INTERNAL COLLECTION

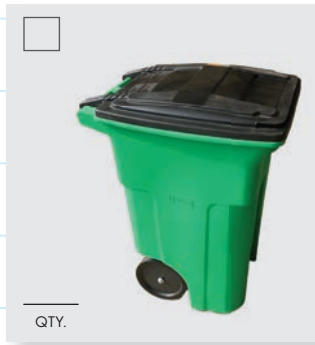
- Must be convenient!
 - Bins in every classroom, office, cafeteria & work room
 - Rolling Carts in "de-centralized" locations or a localized area
 - Place a recycling bin next to, or near, most trash cans.
- Try to find ways to make it easier for your custodians. Focus on the setup and student involvement.
- Be sure to recycle in the cafeteria
 - Milk Carton, Can & Bottle Containers
 - Cardboard (Needs to be broken down and flattened)
 - Metal Cans (Empty)



CHECK + INDICATE QUANTITY IF YOU NEED ANY OF THESE BINS/ROLLING CARTS



Milk Carton Dumpster



Composting Dumpster



Milk Bucket



Large Hallway Bin



Hallway



Media/Copier



Classroom



Office



The Metrolina Recycling Center, also known as a Material Recovery Facility or MRF, is the County's processing facility that sorts all of the single stream recyclable materials collected from residential curbside programs, schools, and drop-off programs throughout Mecklenburg County using specialized equipment.

To schedule a tour of Mecklenburg County's Recycling Center call Sabrina Kuroda at 980-209-8895 or email SKuroda@republicservices.com



CHARLOTTE-MECKLENBURG SCHOOLS

Items that WILL be ACCEPTED for RECYCLING:

- ALUMINUM CANS
- GLASS BOTTLES & JARS
- CEREAL & FOOD BOXES
- CARDBOARD BOXES (FLATTENED, EMPTY, NO RESIDUE)
- PLASTIC BOTTLES & JUGS (EXCEPT #6)
- CARTONS & JUICE BOXES
- TIN/STEEL CANS
- PAPER (BROWN BAGS, HIGH-GRADE PAPER, JUNK MAIL)
- MAGAZINES
- EMPTY AEROSOL CANS

REMEMBER: Empty all containers.

Items that WILL NOT be accepted for RECYCLING:

- NO Plastic Bags
- NO Shredded Paper
- NO Ceramics
- NO Plastic Food Trays & Cups
- NO Clothing or Shoes
- NO Pots & Pans
- NO Glassware
- NO Paper Plates
- NO Napkins
- NO Batteries
- NO Takeout Food Containers
- NO Light Bulbs
- NO Wire Hangers
- NO Styrofoam

BE COOL! RECYCLE IN SCHOOL

WIPE OUT WASTE



Signs, Posters & Stickers Available